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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims below replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method for continuously molding a fiber reinforced plastic member with a curvature ~~utilizing a core having a shape corresponding to the shape of the member with a curvature and disposed on a plane~~, the method comprising:

a step of feeding ~~a release film~~ release films deformed in advance to correspond to the curvature of the molded member;

a step of feeding plural sheets of semi-cured prepreg material formed by impregnating carbon fiber or glass fiber with thermosetting resin;

a step of laminating and ~~deforming the prepreg into a predetermined shape to form a prepreg laminated body~~ preforming a laminated body of prepreg sheets along a core having a cross sectional shape corresponding to that of the member being formed and having a curvature corresponding to corresponding to the curvature of the member being formed;

a step of hot-pressing the laminated and deformed release film and the ~~prepreg~~ laminated body of prepreg sheets into a predetermined shape; and

a step of post-curing the ~~prepreg~~ laminated body exiting the hot-pressing step by heating the same; wherein

said plural sheets of semi-cured prepreg material are fed to be sandwiched between said release films; and

the hot-pressing step is performed while pullers disposed before and after the hot-pressing step for gripping the ~~prepreg~~ laminated body and introducing the same into the hot press

~~are used to prevent tension from being placed on the fiber in the prepreg laminated body wherein~~
the hot-pressing is preformed while preventing tension from being placed on the fiber in the
prepreg.

2. (Original) The method for continuously molding a fiber reinforced plastic member with a curvature according to claim 1, wherein during the step of deforming the prepreg into a shape with a curvature, the width of the prepreg is adjusted so that the angle of meandering of the fiber in the longitudinal direction is 5 degrees or smaller.

3-5. (Canceled)